

Sahuarita

ARIZONA

Town Center Happenings

Senior Planner Anna Casadei Contributes to APA Kids' Planning Toolbox



Anna Casadei, AICP, is senior planner for the Town. She is also secretary/treasurer of the Arizona Planning Association's Southern Section.

Casadei recently participated in "Cyclovia Tucson" the AZPA Southern Section's program to educate kids about planning by engaging them in an activity to create a mini city in the street. Using various sized cardboard boxes, along with construction paper, markers, scissors, chalk, and glue, kids of all ages participated in urban planning and design. Read more:

<http://blogs.planning.org/kids/2013/07/26/kids-build-the-city-at-cyclovia-tucson/>



Fiesta Sahuarita, The BEST Small Town Festival in Southern Arizona Goes International!

Fiesta Sahuarita is happening next month! September 28th from Noon to 9pm at Anamax Park, Fiesta Sahuarita will once again bring games, food, fun and, of course, the giant water slide. But this year there will be an important international ceremony as part of the festivities.

The Town of Sahuarita has created a 'Sister City' relationship with Magdalena, Mexico. They will make it official by holding a 'Signing Ceremony' during Fiesta Sahuarita. The Mayor and Council of Sahuarita along with the Mayor and Dignitaries from Magdalena will sign documents making their 'Sister City' status official.

Fiesta Sahuarita Flyer: <http://sahuaritaaz.gov/DocumentCenter/View/422>



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WITH **PARKS**
& RECREATION

Programs for Kids of All Ages!



Time to Sign Up fo Tiny Tykes Pre K Sports Program

Tiny Tykes Sports helps children learn basic introductory sports skills. Children improve their hand-eye coordination, gross motor skills, and social skills. These classes are offered on Friday mornings from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. at Anamax Park Recreation Center. Session 1 runs August 16th through September 20th.



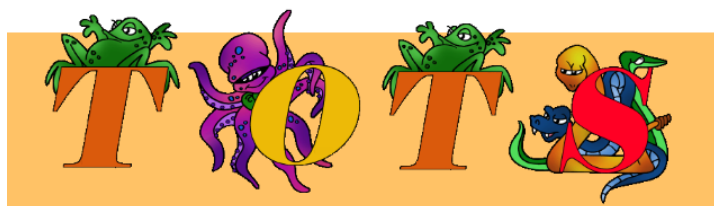
Bricks 4 Kidz® Lego Programs For All Ages Starting in August

Bricks 4 Kidz® provides educational programs that focus on introducing children to principles of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) using LEGO® bricks. At **Bricks 4 Kidz®** we

strive to develop effective problem solving skills, provide children the opportunity for creative expression, encourage team work through the use of lab-focused exercises. Our programs provide an extraordinary atmosphere for students to build unique creations, play games, and have loads of fun using LEGO® bricks. The activities are designed to trigger young children's lively imaginations and build their self-confidence. Our classes aim to provide hands-on experiences that are as entertaining as they are educational!



We Learn, We Build, We Play with...
LEGO® Bricks



Fall Tots Programs Start August 12th

Tots Program is an interactive pre-school program designed to engage children physically, mentally and socially. Designed for ages 3-5, these classes are held Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. at Anamax Park Recreation Center. Session 1 runs August 12th through September 18th.

Fall Tots Programs Start August 13th

A Lot for Tots is an expanded interactive Pre-K program for ages 3-5. Classes include activities like crafts, songs, learning time, organized play and outside time. Classes are held Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 – 11:00 am at Anamax Recreation Center. Session 1 runs August 13th through September 19th.

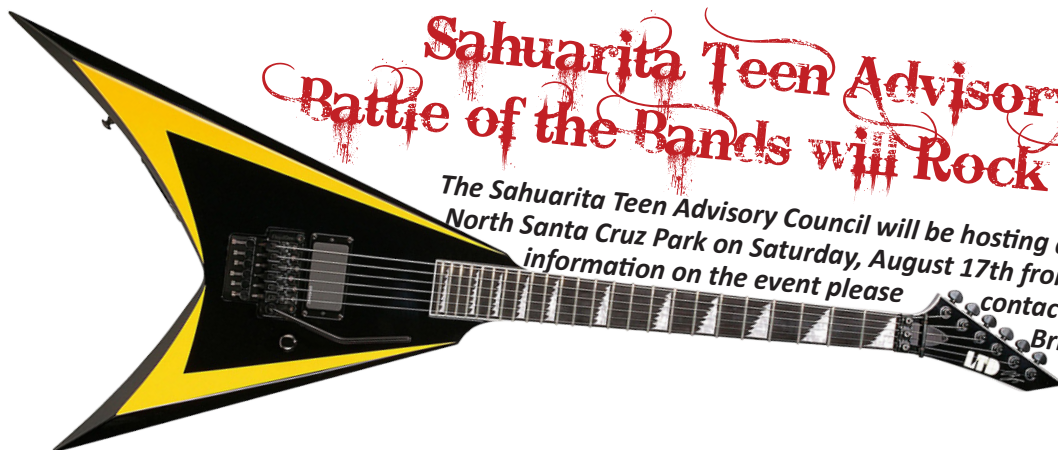
Duplo® : Ages 2 to 4, Fridays- 9:00 - 9:45 am, August 16th through September 6th- Anamax Park Classroom

Enrichment: Grades K-5th, Wednesdays- 2:00 - 3:00 pm, August 14th through September 18th - Anamax Park Classroom

Jr. Robotics: ages 8 to 12, Saturdays 9:30-11:00 am, August 17th through September 14th -Anamax Park

Sahuarita Teen Advisory Council Battle of the Bands will Rock on August 17th

The Sahuarita Teen Advisory Council will be hosting a Battle of the Bands event at North Santa Cruz Park on Saturday, August 17th from 6:00 to 9:30 p.m. For more information on the event please contact Brittany Hunt at BrittanyHunt13@gmail.com



Local Explorers Compete in Law Enforcement Explorer Post Advisors Association of Colorado Event Last Month



EXPLORER POST 693



The Law Enforcement Explorer Post Advisors Association of Colorado (LEPAAC) is a multi-agency cooperative effort by many of the law enforcement explorer posts in Colorado and nearby states. They combine resources to provide mutual support and greater opportunities for the member explorer posts.

Sergeant Tim DeSpain, Explorer Sergeant Ani Schnelle, Explorer Gabe Hernandez, Advisor Ralph Schnelle (Sergeant, Arizona Rangers)

Explorers were paired with other Explorers from posts in Colorado, Arizona and Oklahoma for team and individual competitions.

This year's event was held July 14th – 19th at Johnson & Wales University in Denver. Representing Sahuarita were: Officer Mike Blevins, Officer Beverly Murphy, Explorer Mickey McCullogh-Cruz, Explorer Corporal Gaby Fernandez, Explorer Corporal Jacob Livingston, Explorer Alysia Kelley, Explorer

Explorer Corporal Jacob Livingston placed 1st and Explorer Sergeant Ani Schnelle placed 3rd in the team Tactical High Risk event.

Southern Arizona took home several medals and trophies. Posts from Sahuarita, Oro Valley, South Tucson and Tucson competed and placed.



Getting Down to Business

New and Improved Home Business Regulations

If you run a business from your home, or if you are thinking about starting up a home-based business, you will be interested in the new home business regulations that will go into effect on August 7, 2013. The new regulations allow more home-based businesses than could be operated under the previous rules as well as help clarify the home-based business regulations.

The Town regulates home businesses to help protect the residential character of our neighborhoods. The regulations limit the amount of customer traffic and noise associated with home businesses, along with numerous other potentially negative effects such as vehicles, commercial equipment, and toxic waste. Under the old rules, it was unclear how much customer traffic should be allowed in association with a home business. Complete rules can be found in [Sahuarita Town Code 18.09.030] ([link to that section of the code](#)).

All home businesses require a Town business license and home occupation clearance. Both are available free of charge. For additional information please contact the Planning & Zoning Division at (520) 822-8855. Business license applications are available: <http://sahuaritaaz.gov/DocumentCenter/View/389>



CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

SLOW DOWN IN THE CONE ZONE

Sahuarita Road Project Updates

This summer several milestones are being reached on the Sahuarita Road Phase II improvement project.

Motorists are able to drive on a completed stretch of improvements in the east-bound lanes of Sahuarita Road from La Villita Road to the traffic signal at the relocated Nogales Highway.

Once the crossing on the Union Pacific Railroad spur south of Sahuarita Road is finished, later this summer, the realigned Nogales Highway will open up for traffic.

Work has also started on the second bridge across the Santa Cruz river, the one that will carry westbound traffic.

Follow road project updates on the Town's website and Facebook Page.

<http://sahuaritaaz.gov/construction>

Sahuarita Selected as One of the Ten Best Towns in Arizona for Young Families!

NerdWallet, a consumer advocacy website recently released the best towns in Arizona for young families and Sahuarita came in at #10. To compile this top ten list, they considered the following questions.

- 1) Public school rating
- 2) Average home value

- 3) Ongoing cost of homeownership
- 4) Average income
- 5) Economic growth

The other towns in Arizona who made the list include: Oro Valley, Scottsdale, Buckeye, Peoria, Chandler, Sierra Vista, Lake Havasu City, Gilbert and Prescott.



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